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1. The head of the Moslem religion is Hafis Aliu [REDACTED] and has his offices in Tirana. 25X1

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The Moslem archbishop in Tirana is Hafis Sulejmani [REDACTED]. The Moslem bishop of Gjinokaster is Sulijman Mamani. The Mufti of Sarande is Haxhi Marati [REDACTED]. One of the Moslem leaders in Pogradec is Sedik Ramadani [REDACTED]. The Mufti of Peqin is Farik Ajazi [REDACTED]. The Moslem priest of Rrogozhina is Musa-Efendi. The chief of the Moslem Union in Tirana is Sheik Ali Hormova [REDACTED]. The chief of the Moslem Union, Rifaj, in Tirana is Sheik Hafis Muharremi [REDACTED]. The Sheik of Peqin is Ahmet Gjinishi; [REDACTED]. The Sheik of Elbasan is Sheh Sula [REDACTED].

2. There is considerable opposition to the Communist regime among the Moslem clergy because the Communist agitators instruct the youth and try to promote anti-religious feelings. The young people are particularly told that they should never go to church or to the Mosques, and that they should never believe the priests. The schools also disseminate the same anti-religious propaganda. 25X1

3. The chief of the Bektashi sect in Tirana is Ahmet Dedej [REDACTED]. The chief of the sect in Gjinokaster is Baba Ibrahim [REDACTED]. The chief of the Orthodox religion is Pasi vodica [REDACTED]. The Orthodox priest in Fier is Papalizo (fnu); [REDACTED].

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